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Governor Walker Declares State of Emergency in Northwest Wisconsin

MADISON – Governor Scott Walker today declared a state of emergency exists in Ashland, Bayfield, Burnett, Douglas, and Iron counties. Beginning on June 16, 2018, widespread and continuing severe thunderstorms producing torrential rain, damaging wind, and large hail caused evacuation of persons, downed trees and powerlines, mudslides, and flash flooding that damaged roads and bridges.

"The state stands at the ready to assist local governments in recovery efforts," Governor Walker said. "I have directed all state agencies to assist and called the Wisconsin National Guard to state active duty as Major General Dunbar deems necessary. I am touring the damages this evening with Major General Dunbar. We have confidence in our communities' ability to come together and recover."

Wisconsinites needing assistance are encouraged to go to: http://ready.wi.gov/flooding/NWWI2018.asp to find additional resources.

The executive order is attached.

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